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1 AN ACT Relating to a retired volunteer medical worker license; and
2 amending RCW 18.130.360.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 18.130.360 and 2006 c 72 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) As used in this section, "emergency or disaster" has the same
7 meaning as in RCW 38.52.010.

8 (2) The secretary shall issue a retired volunteer medical worker
9 license to any applicant who:

10 (a) Has held an active license within ten years of applying for an
11 initial license under this section if the active license was issued by:

12 (i) A disciplining authority under RCW 18.130.040 ((no more than
13 ten years prior to applying for an initial license under this
14 section)); or

15 (ii) A licensing agency of another state or territory of the United
16 States, the District of Columbia, or Canada or any of its provinces if
17 that licensing agency has substantially similar licensing standards as
18 those of the disciplining authority under RCW 18.130.040 that governs
19 the applicant's profession in this state;

1 (b) Does not have any current restrictions on the ability to obtain
2 a license for violations of this chapter; and

3 (c) Submits proof of registration as a volunteer with a local
4 organization for emergency services or management as defined by chapter
5 38.52 RCW.

6 (3) License holders under this section must be supervised and may
7 practice only those duties that correspond to the scope of their
8 emergency worker assignment not to exceed their scope of practice prior
9 to retirement.

10 (4) The department shall adopt rules and policies to implement this
11 section.

12 (5) The department shall establish standards for the renewal of
13 licenses issued under this section, including continuing competency
14 requirements.

15 (6) License holders under this section are subject to the
16 provisions of this chapter as they may apply to the issuance and denial
17 of credentials, unauthorized practice, and discipline for acts of
18 unprofessional conduct.

19 (7) Nothing in this section precludes a health care professional
20 who holds an active license from providing medical services during an
21 emergency or disaster.

22 (8) The cost of regulatory activities for license holders under
23 this section must be borne in equal proportion by all health care
24 providers holding a license issued by a disciplining authority under
25 RCW 18.130.040.

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